

**REMARKS**

This is in response to the Election/Restriction Requirement made in the Office Action of July 26, 2006, in which Applicants have been requested to elect a single species for prosecution, from among the following:

Species I: Fig. 2

Species II: Fig. 4

Species III: Fig. 5

Without having to reach the merits of the issue as to whether the different embodiments are distinct or not, Applicants in this amendment elect further prosecution of Species II (Fig. 4). The claims readable on Species II are 15-21, 22, 24, 37, and 39.

## CONCLUSION

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,  
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